Proposed South St. Anthony billboard hall incites neighborhood conflict

by James Wesley

There was a possibility of a Vietnamese-operated billboard hall and arcade opening in the former Electric City retail space at 2428 University Avenue ignited a firestorm of protest from local business and property owners. Located along the southern edge of the St. Anthony Park neighborhood, the area around Raymond and University Avenues is home to retail stores, eateries, and professional office spaces.

Tom Leonard, owner of the complex housing Electric City and the building it occupies, recently decided not to chase his own business and rent out the space to a new tenant. After making this decision, Leonard was approached by a businessman who hopes to open a billboard hall and arcade for the area's Vietnamese residents. Leonard found the businessman to be financially secure and learned from city officials that the structure was zoned properly for such an establishment to occupy the location.

“I don’t want to cause any problems for anyone, and I certainly don’t want to hurt the neighborhood,” Leonard explained, “but the word ‘good hall’ evokes horrible memories from people. It’s a common leisure time activity.”

Laureldale cleans polluted sites

by James Wesley

The Tax-Based Revitalization Program, an organization created by the Minnesota Legislature in 1995, recently granted the city of Laureldale approximately $900,000 to cleanup two contaminated properties west of Highway 280. The polluted industrial sites, owned by Bledog Publications and the other by the University of Minnesota, qualified for state funding for the grant cycle ending in May of this year.

In order to receive grant money, polluted properties must fulfill two requirements. First, they must be industrial or abandoned sites, and second, the purification of the property must in some way contribute to an increase in a community’s tax base. Of the $3.2 million dollars available for Minnesota cities in this cycle, Laureldale received almost one third of the funds. The Tax-Based Revitalization Program is conducted using a point system to determine how much a particular city’s tax base may be enlarged and the quality of jobs a renovated site may produce for the community. In total, 11 proposals were made state-wide for cleanup efforts, and all received at least some funding.

While both Laureldale sites contain pollutants deemed harmful to humans, the University of Minnesota property, purchased by the U in 1974, has the most intriguing legacy attached to it. Constructed upon the six-and-a-half acre site in 1905, a 4,000-square-foot, five-story building was originally an electric substation for the Minnesota General Electric Company. In 1946, the Lightning-Transience Research Institute (LTRI) acquired the property.

The LTRI, a non-profit research program, tested the effects of lightning and electricity on aircraft instrumentation and in the 1970s on a similar apparatus.

French’s vital guide for kids and parents

by Barbara Claussen

Lauderdale author Elizabeth French turned her graduate school paper into a bestselling book that has sold over 50,000 copies. The sixth edition of "Exploring the Twin Cities With Children," published by Nodin Press of Minneapolis, is now on the shelves of local bookstores. Find French, along with illustrator Lynn Sandness, signing copies of the new release at Micabear's on Saturday, September 28, from noon to 1:30 p.m.

French's book includes many diverse facts, such as the Minneapolis Public Library holds the largest collection of foreign children's books in the area and the Wild Rumpus Bookstore has rats living beneath the floorboards.

In 1976 French was finishing a master's degree in library science at the University of Minnesota. In her spare time she coordinated field trips at her son's Montessori school. She decided to write her final paper on the importance of children learning about their community by exploring places and participating in local programs.

"I also wanted to include a listing of some of the places and activities that I knew about in the Twin Cities," explained French. She already had a file full of clipplings from her volunteer position at the school. Her advisor was enthusiastic. French read scientific papers and studies that touted the value of children learning about their community. As she compiled addresses, telephone numbers and descriptions for her directory, an interesting phenomenon occurred. She was overwhelmed by requests for the information. A unique evolution took place. French consulted the yellow pages for local publishers. After a couple of phone calls she reached the Exploring the Twin Cities to page 12
What's that smell? St. Anthony Park residents search for answers and solutions

by Jennifer Thorsen

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side his bicycle and guided by his keen olfactory senses, Ken Holdeman is doing some unusual research. Holdeman is the environmental committee chair of the St. Anthony Park Community Council, and for the last three years he has tirelessly investigated the sources of the odor plaguing the southern side of the neighborhood. Although "the smell" ebbed and flowed over the last three years, it has gotten much worse this year, said Abby Struck. St. Anthony Park's community organizer. Described as "vignee-y," "acid-like," and "obnoxious," it hits us almost unbearably high pitch on warm, windy days and is strongest near Harned Park and Territorial Road.

Holdeman said he and the council investigated SKB Environmental (a city of Minneapolis yard waste composting site at 630 Moolton), Northern Star potato processing plant, Hartnell Manufacturing, Aspen Water System, and Prospect Auto Parts as possible sources of the smell. Now, he has narrowed the list down to the SKB compost site and a burner and potato pile at Northern Star.

Then, Holdeman said, "the people from the compost site [blamed] the potato factory and a grain elevator near Kaoata that is being torn down, and the potato factory [blamed] the compost site." Holdeman said he believes the smell might be a combination of emissions from each site.

On July 24 the council held a meeting to clear the air. Residents complained and held comments from representatives from each site and St. Paul and Minneapolis officials. According to Holdeman, Rick O'Gara from SKB Environmental said that the company is sensitive to the problem and is committed to dealing with the problem. SKB normally "turns" the compost pile in August to aerate the inside which speeds decomposition. This year the pile will be shipped offsite.

On August 7 the council passed a resolution requesting that the Minneapolis Environmental Division provide a list of tasks and schedule for eliminating odors in our neighborhood. It also asks St. Paul to evaluate what action they would take to ensure that Minneapolis resolves the issue to the satisfaction of St. Anthony Park residents.

Struck said she has yet to receive a response from Minneapolis regarding the resolution. It was presented by St. Paul City Council member Bobbi Megard at a Minneapolis City Council meeting, but noted that a couple companies were responsive. Both companies said they would continue to take action and monitor the situation, she said, "it is good to see that there is progress, but it will be awhile before we know if it's successful."

Hampden Co-op manager Helen Dufault said she has been painfully aware of the smell, which just so happens emanating from the co-op dumpster. Customers coming in often ask, "Is that the awful smell?" she said, but other than a few comments, she doesn't think it has affected her business. "It is not affecting us as much as it would affect homeowners," she said. People don't often spend their Sunday afternoon in their parking lot, but who could enjoy your backyard? The Community shouldn't be subjected to something like that.

South St. Anthony Park resident Greg Richards, whose home is on Buena Vista Avenue, across the perimeter of Hampden Park, acknowledges that the smell is "annoying" or at times, "really annoying." However, he said, "It hasn't bothered us much. If you live in the city, it stinks... you have to accept a little of that." Richards also said he would like to see the neighborhood and the businesses involved "find some way to keep the smell down, without closing the businesses and moving them out." SKB and Northern Star provide many blue-collar jobs, he said, and "shipping those jobs out doesn't do a lot of good."

St. Anthony Park, he pointed out, is a rather affluent neighborhood, and he said he thinks many residents don't consider the jobs provided by SKB and Northern Star when protesting the smell. "I'm interested in [the businesses and the neighborhood] work things out," he said. "

Illustration by Henrie Huesen

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Neighborhood cleanup to feature curbside collection of appliances

The big change this year will be that residents will not have to haul appliances to the cleanup site. Appliances will be collected curbside the following Monday morning. Your vouchers have been mailed and they contain all the information.

The event will be Saturday September 21 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering at the Cleanup, please call the Council office at 292-7884.

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Community-wide garage sale Sept. 14. Register now!

Participants will hold sales from 9-5 on Saturday, September 14 and donate 10% of their proceeds (tax deductible) to the Community Council. The Community Council provides signs and newspaper ads. We also print and distribute maps and lists of the sales the morning of the sale.

This is a fun, community building event, and a great way to see your re-usable items find a new home. You make some money, and feel good about seeing your things go where they will be used and appreciated. You may want to go in with a neighbor to have help and share the fun. This is an ecologically sound activity indeed! We held this event the week before the Neighborhood Cleanup to promote reuse before recycling.

Call the Council office by September 9 (292-7884) to register.

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Park neighbors build old-fashioned gazebo on Alden Square

by Judy Woodward

he streets around John Alden Square in North St. Anthony Park have long been known as friendly territory. For at least a decade, neighbors in the area have cooperated to create and maintain garden plantings and landscaping for the pocket-sized park which is located between Gibbs Avenue and Brewer Street. But this summer, they’ve outdone themselves. They built a gazebo.

Thanks to a Sales Tax Revitalization (STAR) grant of $8,420 from the City of St. Paul, a pile of donated concrete from a local business, Cemstone, and the hard work of many local volunteers, the gazebo was built over two weekends in August.

One of the main organizers behind the project was Mark Lagoon. The 30-year-old recent law school graduate termed the gazebo the logical outcome of years of volunteer effort by neighbors and friends. “People in the area started planting trees and flowers in the park about ten years ago,” explained Lagoon.

They maintained the area and tried to build on their earlier work. It just seemed like a natural step to build a structure which would further attract the neighbors to the park space.”

Lagoon described the gazebo as a classic, screenless, 10-sided structure in French provincial style. It stands 24 feet tall and is 21 feet in diameter. Planners estimate that the gazebo would cost close to $25,000 to erect commercially.

Lagoon, who moved into his Brewer Street home about a year ago, gave credit to a former resident of the area for the original idea. “Jim Rosens was the prime mover behind the gazebo. Ironically, he moved up to Northfield Minn., before he could see it built.” Other neighbors in the area stepped forward to carry out the plan, including Reade Adams, who has been called “the glue that holds the project together.”

Adams, who has worked as a landscape architect, created the design plan for the space. She’s also responsible for organizing the volunteer labor force, which until now has been a fairly impromptu group. “This was only the first year we’ve set up a wedding schedule,” noted Adams.

Lately, though, the group has accomplished a lot. Forming themselves into a nonprofit group, the Neighbors of Alden Square, guided the gazebo project through the early planning and financing stages, wrote a fund-raising brochure, and organized the two weekend long gazebo-raising sessions. Forty to 50 area families were surveyed, and, according to Lagoon, “support for the project was almost unanimous.” Adams even managed to persuade her son-in-law in the construction business to drive up from Iowa to lay the foundation.

The group’s dedication has not gone unnoticed by the St. Paul City Parks and Recreation Department. Principal Designer John Wirka said that the city often sees volunteers who step forward with good—but short-lived—intentions. “But what’s different about [the Neighbors of Alden Square] is that these people are in it for the long haul. They just seem to be so committed.”

Wirka remarked that the neighborhood group has always followed through with the maintenance necessary to keep their park improvements looking good. “[The City] doesn’t have the capability to do the detail...”

Neighbors near Alden Square in St. Anthony Park are building this beautiful gazebo for concerts, picnics and just plain daydreaming.
Pool hall troubles

Utterly and exclusive North Oaks isn’t the only gated community around. Barriers exist in many forms from railroad tracks to freeway viaducts and — perhaps most insidious — attitudes. Now, as an Asian businessman moves to open a pool hall on University Avenue in South St. Anthony Park, it’s evident that restrictive attitudes are thriving here too.

Related by legitimate concerns about their livelihood and fears of the unknown, established business people are leading the charge against this new enterprise. Running a small business is a big, heavy burden. Worries about parking and crime and the thoroughfare’s future are valid. Worse still, this news follows Mill City Cafe’s closing and the Northern’s Clay Center’s imminent move. Given these uncertainties, this cut of University Avenue needs an articulate business development plan. Yet, quaint shops and restaurants may rest in the future, but for now the intersection isn’t. So now, a打听 up here is a hired billiard halls’ ideal, and the landlord must entertain all serious offers. It’s doubtful, however, that this idea would be greeted with such enthusiasm if the business owner were Caucasian catering to college kids with charge cards. Then again, it’s presumptuous to assume all potential pool shoppers are penniless delinquents with middle-long coiffures. People of color are often conflicting messages about the American dream. Pursue free enterprise, but not here please. Seek religion, but sing softly. Embrace multiculturalism, but speak English only. Of course, the good business people on University Avenue aren’t solely responsible for tackling, complex issues of race and class. Yet, St. Anthony Park is an enlightened haven, inhabited by generous and intelligent people. So, quiet — turn on the light — and welcome our new neighbors.

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  Precinct 3, East of St. Paul
- Falcon Heights Elementary School, 1393 Garden Avenue
- Lauderdale
  City Hall, 1891 Walnut
- Northwood-Conoma Park
  Precinct 4, Prairie View
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- St. Anthony Park
  Precinct 2, Luther Seminary Chapel
  Precinct 3, St. Anthony Park School
  Precinct 6, Seif Hi-Rise
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Pharmacy Closing

It is with a heavy heart and mixed feelings that I close the doors of Miller Pharmacy, ending a 64 year tradition. I began working as a clerk at Miller’s in 1974, following in the footsteps of Danish-born Tom. When I graduated from the University of Minnesota School of Pharmacy in 1982, I was fortunate to be offered a partnership in the business with Bob Bulger and Arny Delges. I have had the pleasure of working with people like Kate and Sue Bulger, John and Patty, Carol Hau, Judy Thomas, Jo-Lynne, Bert Miller, Karen Fisher and others. We’ve had many loyal customers as well that I will miss. However, I simply can’t continue to operate Miller’s. A major contributor to the decision to close the store is the role of third-party insurance companies in the pharmacy industry. I may own Miller’s, but these companies control it. They determine how much I get reimbursed for pharmacy services, and these days that isn’t very much.

The other contributing factor to my decision to close the store is the attitude of the community. There are many wonderful people in this neighborhood, and since Bob and Arny retired, I’ve been slowly worn down by the constant complaints and criticism I’ve received from the people here. Since we began the “going out of business” sale, I’ve had many people comment about the fact that I don’t live in this community. I grew up in Lauderdale, though, and my wife and I lived in the Park while going to the university. We even tried to buy a house here. Most importantly, even though we live elsewhere and it is inconvenient to do so, we have always supported the local businesses in the Park. BankPark, Starbucks, Dr. Kiergaard, Jim Roebenich at State Farm, Maureen Mariano at Nick at 76, Omega Travel, etc. We’ve always felt that it was important to support the small local businesses because they’re an integral part of the community. The cost does not always come cheap, because these businesses can’t always provide the same goods and services at the lowest prices like the “super stores” of the 90s. But, they’re a big part of what keeps the neighborhood alive. My wife recently struck up a conversation with a “local” and mentioned that she used to work at Miller’s. The person said, “oh... that was the new guy.” After 22 years of working in this community, I am still the new guy... an outsider. If the people in this community don’t start learning to embrace the outsiders when the Boobs and Arny’s, Nevin’s and Nick’s are gone, there won’t be any business community left.

It was not easy to make a decision to close a business that I make my last payment on next month, but in the end, I had no choice. Thanks for your patronage.

Bill Perry Miller Pharmacy

Bill Perry Miller Pharmacy

Bandsound achievement

I am writing to the St. Anthony Park Bugle to give credit and say "Thank You" to a few neighbors who have ably planned and worked together to design and finish a community project in Landgof Park.

Those of you who attended the 4th of July celebration there appreciated seeing the attractive, newly rebuilt and repainted bandstand. Residents living here before 1920 recall the old bandstand in Landgof Park was built more than 75 years ago and served the community well for celebrations on the 4th of July, programs of the local elementary school and other St. Anthony Park functions. By the early 1990s, however, time had taken its toll, and the roof was in such bad shape that the City Parks and Recreation Department had it removed for safety reasons.

Members of the St. Anthony Park Community Band, among others in the Park, were interested in the restoration or replacement of the bandstand and contacted the City Parks and Recreation Department about having it done. A price tag of well over $100,000, however, ruled out any way this could be accomplished.
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-exhibiting my watercolors at an art fair did not seem like it would be too difficult. Truth be told, I agreed to build the booth. After weeks of meditation, I spent hours drawing designs on his computer. My booth was still not even in the embryonic stages a week before my first art fair. This was the man who, when asked to build a rabbit cage, constructed a condominium complete with spiral staircase. I should have known.

After agonizing over the cost of shrink wrap, we discovered the lowest price in town. The only catches was you needed to order 2,000 feet. They delivered my shrink wrap on a sizzling hot, humid day. I breathed a sigh of relief and left it on the porch. Frenetic preparations for my first weekend show were now in full swing. Three days later my husband was passing through the porch. He glanced at the label. “Do not store at a temperature of more than 70°.” The entire 2,000 foot roll had been shrinking in the heat for three days. Well, you learn from experience.

My husband finished the booth the night before my first fair. He went near door to borrow our neighbor’s trailer and realized that our trailer hitch was the wrong size for his trailer. This discovery necessitated a quick trip to another friend’s to borrow a special wrench. Last minute surprises are always exhilarating. Fortunately our neighbor agreed to lend us his trailer hitch. Our own trailer hitch was misplaced in the nude and we have still not found it.

It rained that evening so we couldn’t load the booth onto the trailer. We spent the entire night shrinking wrapping and pricing with a little martathrawn in for a break.

Early the next morning we loaded up the booth, the paintings and the kids. We stopped at the hardware store for some wire and nails. I had misused the time that it took to arrive at the festival site. We got trapped behind a slow moving vehicle on some treacherous hairpin turns and arrived late. Four of us jumped out of the car and assembled that booth quickly. Eyewitnesses were reminded of a segment from an old Keystone Cops movie.

I was a bit less than effervescent as people filed past my display. I waited. I didn’t sell anything. It was like waiting to be asked to dance. Then when he chooses the blonde you wonder why. A woman asked about looking underneath the watercolor. “I love your shirt,” she gushed enthusiastically. “I wish they were selling them here.”

When it started to rain later on in the day, we put up the blue boat tarp that a friend had given me. It cast a blue pall over all of the work. I kept reminding myself that it was free. We retreated into a blue curtain while the rain pounded our somewhat shaky structure. At the end of the day we loaded up the paintings and left the booth up for the next day. The art fair prospectus had promised that security guards would patrol the area. We went home discouraged. No sales.

The next morning when we arrived at the festival site our booth was in pieces on the ground. The wind had shredded it just a few minutes before we arrived, according to fellow exhibitors who saw it lift off. That’s why everyone had those weights hanging on their booths! We assessed the damage, bending over that booth as if it had been a relative. It was impossible to reassure it in its original splendor. We decided to assemble it upside down. My husband drove into town and bought four brightly colored strips of fabric. He tucked them on top of the four aurist poles that now jutted skyward. It actually looked like it was planned.

That day was exocratically hot and humid. Since it was too windy to put up the blue tarp, I slathered on sunblock and positioned myself inside the walls of my reconstructed booth. My kids were swimming and my husband disappeared. I envisioned him reclining somewhere in the shade with a cold drink. My mouth started to hurt from smiling. I got tired of squinting into the sun. I pictured myself looking more wrinkled after an entire day in those ultraviolet rays.

No sales that day either.

We took down our exhibit in the sultry heat.

We left the white panels on the grass while we loaded the paintings into our car. We were folding up the tarp when a fellow exhibitor ran over my booth with her truck. Unaware of what she had done, she smiled and waved at us as she drove off. We looked at the tire tracks across the surface of those broken panels. I wondered if having your booth destroyed twice in one day was some kind of a record.

I did not exhibit at any other art fairs that summer. The remains of my booth were placed reverently in the garage. If anyone asked, my husband explained that he was working on a bigger rabbit cage.

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coming up for discussion in a St. Anthony Park Association meeting. The board of directors pledged its support, and

John Seltz cleared away the red tape, negotiated arrangements, and facilitated soliciting for the work to be done. The project was up and running.

John also did prep work (patched the foundation) and painted. Sandy McClure power washed the stucco, Scott Mindess cleaned the stucco, Scott Mindess painted the brush and paint, Jean Dow Stowe also painted brush and paint as well as getting out flyers and organizing a community session on the project. Sandie Kelsey, now president of the St. Anthony Park Association, helped promote and coordinate all of the inputs of the project.

Tim Canfield of Home Tadmor and his staff donated more than 1/2 of their time to replace the roof. Working with Tim were Craig Windhorst, Tim Achten, Bruce Peterson and Greg Stevenson.

Jim and Rachel Larson of Larson Home Decorating spent several evenings painting the structure, and one afternoon painting the ceiling. Kevin Keenan, former Park Board resident and landscape architect, will help with adding and replacing plantings for the weather it cooler. Lyda Tooker will also help with the plantings.

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Mill City’s closing unnerves University and Raymond business owners

by David Anger

The sudden closing of the Mill City Cafe at Raymond and University avenues not only deeply saddens this neighborhood and its customers, it also prompts much concern among the surrounding small business owners about the corner’s future.

When Jack Whittemore — Mill City’s founder and owner — was diagnosed with leukemia last winter, he hoped to keep the business running. But as he faced a critical bone marrow transplant, followed by an eight to 12-month recovery period, he and his family realized that it was virtually impossible for the restaurant to keep its door open.

“Jack worked 18-hour days,” said Diane Whittemore, Jack’s sister. “We found that we couldn’t afford to replace him.”

Beyond these vital financial considerations, the Whittemores were worried that the stress of keeping Mill City afloat might impede Jack’s recovery.

So Friday, August 2, proved to be Mill City’s final day. By the following day Mill City stood empty. The plants, artwork and sign had vanished.

During its brief 16-month history, the eatery emerged as an area favorite, offering fresh and inventive food at popular prices. Mill City’s zenith success also provided a spark for the corner’s other fledgling businesses.

“It’s a huge loss for the community,” said Ellen Watters, executive director of the St. Anthony Park Business Association. “It served as a critical magnet for the area and helped other businesses.” She added, “Now, I’m worried about what we can do to keep the momentum going.”

Area business owners agree.

Noreen Allbright, proprietor of the neighboring Succotash antiques, reported that her business is down 50 percent following Mill City’s abrupt departure.

“Mill City gave this neighborhood a really good feeling,” explained Allbright. “It also made the corner a destination and brought in people from not only St. Anthony Park, but from across the Twin Cities. With the restaurant gone, there’s a real void here.”

Worse still, University and Raymond is facing more upheaval in the coming year. The Northern Clay Center, which faces University Avenue, is preparing to vacate its St. Anthony Park space for a new Minneapolis location. Besides these changes, small business owners are troubled about the arrival of a pool hall at 2428 University.

“It’s a fragile area,” conceded Watters. “For instance, with the Clay Center going away — which brings in 10,000 people to that corner—what are we going to do to replace those customers?”

These and other anxieties remain unanswered. While the St. Anthony Park Community Council authored an area plan in 1991, most of the ideas were dependent upon city financial support, which has dwindled under the current leadership.

Yet, Allbright and her companions aren’t entirely depressed. Business at Koy’s and Panino’s is up. Susan’s coffee house and Foci Optics are busy. Raymond Avenue Gallery celebrates its 11th anniversary this month. Even though Mill City’s space remains empty, Watters is confident that a tenant will emerge.

Although Daisy Whittemore said that Mill City is gone forever, Jack Whittemore still harbors dreams of opening a larger restaurant in the future. For now, however, the Whittemores have turned their energies toward Jack’s recovery, which is ultimately the most important consideration.
Fennelly runs the extension service

by Judy Woodward

Everybody knows about the rural county agent who dispenses expertise about the crops and the cows to overall-clad farmers. The only trouble with the picture, according to Dr. Katherine Fennelly, the new dean of Extension Services at the University of Minnesota, is that it’s not very accurate. For one thing, county agents are now called extension educators. For another thing, giving agricultural advice is only a small part of what Extension Services is all about.

Fennelly, who started her job in January, likes her organization’s role to a “bridge between the academic research done at the University and those who are involved in practical applied work at the community level.” “I take the question, ‘What policies will lead to healthy development of young people?’ Academic research is focused on theories of development. Meanwhile, people running community-based programs for teenagers need very specific answers and suggestions for curricula.” Besides serving rural areas, extension educators work in every county in Minnesota—including some very urban counties like Hennepin and Ramsey.

She was eager to reel off a sampling of the diverse programs offered by the Extension. “The most interesting thing about my job is the breadth of Extension programs offered in Minnesota. We’re best known for the traditional agricultural programs, but we also offer programs dealing with landscape architecture assistance to urban gardening advice to Native American cultural preservation efforts to environmental programs to parenting assistance.”

Fennelly also emphasized that extension educators are effective, for example, in resolving disputes that arise from the collision of urban and rural values that sometimes erupt when urban residents move to the country and encounter such unexpected rural amenities as the fumes from country barns.

Fennelly thinks Bugle readers will be interested in the master gardening program, Extension programs in the area of clean waterways, and the very popular Dial-U program, which makes university experts available by 900-phone line to householders with questions about home and garden problems. Then there’s the INFO-U line, 624-2200, which offers free recorded messages on a bewildering variety of topics. If the telephone doesn’t solve the problem, Fennelly added, there’s always the INFO-U Fax-Back service which permits the caller to request even more free information to be faxed to home or business.

Judging by the diversity of experience found in her own research, Fennelly is well-equipped to administer the department’s great variety of programs. She started her career as a female overseas field worker hired by the relief agency CARE Inc. Later she was a faculty member at Columbia University and at Pennsylvania State University. Most recently, she headed the extension program at Penn State. Along the way, Fennelly picked up a B.A. in political science from Syracuse University and a master’s and Ph.D. in education from Columbia.

According to Fennelly, whose daughters are ages 13 and 17, the common thread to be found in her work is her interest in youth development. “I’ve always worked with youth in one way or another.” Fennelly researched Latin youth in the United States and Latin America, knowledge which she is able to apply to Extension programs dealing with assimilation of Hispanic immigrants to Minnesota. As a newcomer to Minnesota, Fennelly was struck by the similarities between the Hispanic immigrants and the traditional Minnesota culture. “Both groups emphasize strong family values, the work ethic, the importance of children, and religion,” she noted.

Beyond commenting on Minnesota’s flat terrain, Fennelly is amused by how “the rural parts are so close [in the Twin Cities City].” Reflecting on the role of the Extension Service in her new home, Fennelly praised the social cohesiveness of Minnesota and the ethic of caring that exists in the state. “There is a social contract that exists here,” she said, “that in beautifully with the mission of the Extension.”

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Ice skating Allen brothers glide toward Olympic success

by David Anger

Soccer balls, mountain bikes and hockey sticks cram Vicki and David Allen's front porch in St. Anthony Park. All of this essential sporting gear belongs to the couple's sons, Jeremy and Peter, who rank as the neighborhood's greatest ice-skating stars.

These youngsters glide effortlessly on the fast track toward stardom. Peter, a 7th grader at Murray Junior High, shines on the hockey rink, while his 17-year-old brother, Jeremy, wins critical accolades in the rarefied and highly competitive world of men's figure skating.

The sibling's goals — far-fetched for most, though not for the Allen boys — are Olympic competition and possibly within reach.

Peter, age 12, recently returned from Norway, where he played in the U.S.A. vs. Norway International Hockey Series. The hockey whirl, who plays right wing, won a place on the prestigious team after competing against his peers from 13 states for the 17 coveted spots.

As Peter skated furiously for Team U.S.A. in the Olympic hockey arena near the charming village of Lillehammer, Jeremy prepared for a solo performance in the 1996 Minnesota Ice Symphony. No second-rate ice skating event, the event spotlighted Michelle Kwan, the reigning World and U.S. National Champion. Jeremy won a place on the program's roster after earning honors at the 1996 Upper Great Lakes Novice Men's silver medalist, among other awards.

For the Central High senior, ice skating is almost a full-time job. In the summer Jeremy trains at Braemar Arena in Edina under the skilled direction of coaches Mark and Anne Minniano for eight hours a day from Monday through Friday. In addition to training for three hours, Jeremy's routine includes a rigorous cross-training program and dance instruction. During the school year this regimen is condensed to three hours a day. When asked how he finds the time to study, he simply grinned, "Umm—it's difficult."

The Allen brothers' ice skating odyssey started early in life, when the entire family bought ice skates. Peter and Jeremy, then 2 and 7, took off like ice skating maverts. Both young men played hockey at Langford Park and speedskated competitively before finding their respective niches.

They learned from one another's strengths — although reluctantly — since hockey and figure skating both demand high degrees of athletic gusto and grace. Despite the boys' swift success, Peter and Jeremy remain grounded about their sports. If hockey disappeared tomorrow, Peter would take up drawing more vigorously.

Similarly, Jeremy, should his figure skating dreams vanish, might concentrate on making music.

"Everyone has skills," said Jeremy sheepishly. "My brother and I just happen to ice skate."

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Peter (left), age 12 and a 7th grader at Murray, is an ice hockey dynamo and Jeremy (right), age 17 and a senior at Central, shines in the figure skating world.
Youth day at Como Park
Celebrate the volunteer actions and creativity of Twin Cities youth on Sunday, September 15, from noon to 5 p.m., at Como Park Zoo and Conservatory.

Park registrations
* Registration for Langford Park - South St. Anthony youth hockey, open to boys and girls ages 7 to 13, runs from September 23 to October 11 at Langford Park.
* Sign up for Langford Park - South St. Anthony youth basketball, open to boys and girls ages 9 to 14, is set for October 7 to 25 at Langford Park.
* Registration for fall activities at Langford Park and South St. Anthony runs from September 9 to 20. Langford Park features after-school gym, chess club, art time and pre-school tumbling, while South St. Anthony is offering creative claywork, parent-child play group, adult co-ed volleyball and men's basketball.
   Call Langford at 298-5765 and South St. Anthony at 298-5770.

Kid Fair at Langford Park on September 14
The third annual Kid Vendors Fair is set for Saturday, September 14, noon to 3 p.m., at Langford Park. The fair offers young entrepreneurs the opportunity to sell food and refreshments, art and crafts items, toys, books, athletic equipment, baseball cards, comic books, video games and more. To reserve space for the fair call 298-5765.

Park gymnastics
St. Anthony Park Gymnastics Club offers high-quality instruction throughout the school year for girls and boys ages 4 to 18. Call 699-0600 for information.

Peterson girls perform in "Annie" production
Ashley and Elizabeth Peterson of St. Anthony Park recently performed in the Mounds View Community Theater's summer production of "Annie."

Library storytime
The St. Anthony Park Branch Library's morning storytimes for children, ages 3 to 5, begin on Friday, September 20 at 10:30 a.m. and continue through Friday, October 18. Register at the library or call 292-6635.

Poetic aspirations
Josh Tune won first prize for his poem "Lakeside" in the American Association of University Women's 17th annual poetry contest. The St. Anthony Park resident attends Capitol Hill Magnet School, where he starts the fifth grade this month.

Soccer champs
Stephen Ward and Max Lipert led the NSSA Rovers to a 2-1 victory in the Division Two state championships on August 3 at the National Sports Center in Blaine. Ward, midfielder, played relentless defense against St. Croix, while Lipert, striker, scored the winning goal by gently looping the ball over the opposing keeper's head.

Teen night starts again
September 7 marks the return of Teen Night to South St. Anthony and Langford Park rec centers, where kids enjoy sports, games, pizza and hanging out. This gathering occurs on the first, third and fifth Saturdays at Langford Park and the second and fourth Saturdays at South St. Anthony from 7 to 10 p.m.

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ParkBank celebrates 80 years of business

by Ellen Watters

A few years after Peter Hermes started his floral business on Larpenieur Avenue, he heard that a new bank was being charted in the nearby community of St. Anthony Park. Hermes opened an account at the new St. Anthony Park State Bank and, 80 years later, Hermes Floral Company remains a loyal bank customer.

Since Hermes first took his business to St. Anthony Park Bank back in 1916, both the bank and Hermes Floral have witnessed many changes. Peter passed his growing flower business on to his sons and in 1978 his grandsons — Don, Jim and Tom — took over. At ParkBank, the group of St. Anthony residents who founded the bank included Andrew Boss, professor at the University of Minnesota School of Agriculture. He served as the bank's president from 1933 to 1947. Andrew's son, Wallace, and grandson, W. Andrew, continued to be involved in the ownership and management of the bank, with Andy Boss serving as chairman of the board today.

Despite those and many other changes — including both the World Wars, the Great Depression, a bank robbery in 1931, and tremendous growth in the population of St. Anthony Park and surrounding communities — both Hermes Floral and ParkBank continued to prosper in a mutually satisfying business relationship. The Hermes' credit the longevity of the relationship to ParkBank's family-like atmosphere. Don, Jim and Tom remember coming to the bank as boys with their grandfather and having everyone from the bank president to the teller know their names.

Don Hermes, who manages the company's Larpenieur Avenue business, reports that today is no different. "When I walk into the bank everyone calls me by name, asks about my wife, talks to me about my brothers, my kids," said Don Hermes. "It may have been that way everywhere back in 1916, but I know you don't get that kind of personal attention at most banks today."

ParkBank's long-time employees help foster the institutions community ties. Many employees live in and around the Park. Then, again, the bank remains an independent community bank, which is an increasingly rare phenomenon in today's fast-paced world of bank mergers and consolidations.

As an independent bank, the community's owners have always been responsible to this community to be serving the residents and business people the bank's president. "To achieve that goal, we have a diversified board of directors, a diversified management team, and a diversified customer base," Boss added that the current resident William S. Reiling, shares that our network of deals, taken risks, bring benefit the community," he continued.

The ParkBank board of directors has a rich tradition of loyalty to the bank. The current board is made up of members who have served in various capacities over the last 30 years. The current board includes Andrew Boss, chairman, John Christensen, president, and Andrew Boss, Jr., vice president.

The bank's success over the years has been the hallmark of the bank's community involvement. ParkBank has been a leader in banking for small businesses, and it has made significant contributions to local charities and community projects.

Currently, ParkBank is one of the largest banks in the Twin Cities, with assets exceeding $1 billion. The bank has branches in St. Paul and Minneapolis, and it continues to serve the needs of the community.

Jim Hermes of Hermes Floral enjoys banking at ParkBank.

unprecedented growth in the bank's services to continue that impressive pace.

What is now known as ParkBank, the bank recognized it needed to hire a new architect, Charles M. Sauer, to design the new building.
PIECE

CHARLES HAWSER'S 1917 DESIGN PROJECTED A SOUND IMAGE FOR THE BANK'S FIRST HOME.

Park resident Joe Michels to design the new building. Michels' design for the drive-in, at the corner of Como Avenue and Decatur Avenue, won an award from the Minnesota Society of Architects and shows great respect for Frank Lloyd Wright's celebrated Usonian aesthetic.

In the early 1960s space for bank employees became such a problem that several bank departments were scattered about in nearby buildings. ParkBank faced the prospect of moving away from the Como Avenue area, in effect abandoning the heart of St. Anthony Park. Finally, the H.B. Fuller Company moved out of its building on the northwest corner of Como Avenue and Carter Avenue and a new bank building was erected on that site in 1986. The Children's Home Society purchased the old bank building and continues to use it today.

ParkBank's role in St. Anthony Park extends beyond its building, though. Staffers such as John Hunt, Marvin Chapple, Andy Boss, Connie Hillsdon, Galen Cadire, and Rick Beson are civic-minded people, whose contributions to the community are vast. For instance, Beson was one of the Bank's founders. In addition, staff members currently serve on the boards of the Como Zoological Society, International Institute of Minnesota, St. Anthony Park Business Association, Music in the Park, Ramsey County Historical Society, Northern Clay Center, St. Paul East Development Corp., St. Paul Port Authority, Midway Chamber of Commerce, among others.

Over the course of the past 80 years ParkBank has succeeded not only in going from $30,000 to more than $50 million in assets, but also has succeeded in its broader mission to help St. Anthony Park and the larger community thrive. As ParkBank looks to the end of the century, Boss reaffirms its commitment to independent community banking begun in 1916 by a group of concerned St. Anthony Park community leaders.

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Nodin Press, a company that specializes in regional works, and is operated by Norton Stillman, who also owns Micawber's, Stillman read her proposal and said, "Yes, I'll do it." French was thrilled. "If one book sells, I'll be happy," she said at the time. "Exploring the Twin Cities With Children" became the publisher's all-time best seller. Since 1975 five revisions followed. The first five editions were done on my manual typewriter with lots of white-out," said French. Because she believes so strongly in accuracy, each edition is totally new. She spends hundreds of hours checking all the information. French also visits the places outlined in her book and interviews children and their parents on site. Although it is painstaking work, French takes much pride in her accomplishment. "No one else can do it with the heart that I have for it.

She only includes entries that have real value for children ages 3 to 12 in safe environments. The institution's personnel must care about children and want them to visit or participate in programs offered.

Features of the book that have pleased readers over the years include alphabetical listings in various categories and zip code maps of St. Paul and Minneapolis. Day trips are also outlined: French's brother, Lynn Sandness, creates playful illustrations and cover designs for each edition. "Our community has really latched onto family in the things that they are doing and promoting," said French. "I think it's really good. The more that children learn about their community the more eating they will be and the less destructive." She found a 15 percent increase in opportunities listed since she revised the last edition.

Other changes include a predictable rise in entrance fees. In 1975 asbestos indicated opportunities that required fees over 10 cents. Even in the more expensive 1990s, French said that over half of the activities highlighted are free.

One of French's favorite places to visit is Riverside Park, located on the St. Paul campus, and the spring tour of the Veterinary Medicine Department at the University of Minnesota. Being a librarian, French promotes summer reading programs in neighborhood libraries. She currently works as a technical librarian and patent searcher for 3M.

When she began quietly working on her book 22 years ago French did not realize what an adventure lay ahead. She jokes that she is one of the few university students who wrote a graduate paper that gained financial success. Her lively and resourceful adventure may extend into the future for many years to come.

Pollution cleanup... from page 1

To cool and control the heat produced by this electricity, the transformers within the building were housed in PCB oil, a substance considered toxic to humans. The cleanup process on the site, expected to be completed by mid-1997, involves the demolition of the existing building and the removal of the PCB-contaminated concrete and soil.

"From the city's point of view, this is a huge deal," explained City Administrator Tim Creelman. "The tax burden will be reduced on the residential properties and Lauderdale itself will greatly benefit from the expansion of the commercial and industrial tax base."

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President's Circle: One of the first events of the year is the annual Riverfront St. Croix Festival, held on September 12. The festival features live music, food, and crafts from local artists.

Music: The St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ presents its annual Fall Concert Series starting on September 15. The series includes a variety of performances by local and national artists.

Visual Arts: The Northern Clay Center presents an exhibition titled "The Next Decade: Celebrating a Decade of Clay" featuring works by over 200 artists. The exhibition runs from September 16 to October 31.

Literature: The annual St. Anthony Park Book Festival takes place on September 17. The event features readings, signings, and discussions with local and national authors.

Film: The St. Anthony Park Film Society presents a screening of the documentary "The Battle of Greenham Common" on September 23.

Remodeling: "Thinking of remodeling?" is the theme of a special section in the September issue of the St. Anthony Park Bugle. The section includes tips and advice from local contractors and remodelers.

Sewerage: The St. Anthony Park Sewerage District will hold its annual open house on September 24. Visitors can tour the facilities and learn about the district's operations.

Rummage Sale: The St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ Auxiliary will hold its annual Fall Rummage Sale on September 25. The sale features hundreds of items for sale, including clothing, furniture, and household goods.

Other Events: In addition to these events, the St. Anthony Park Bugle includes a calendar of other local events and activities for the month of September.
FALCON HEIGHTS

Job Corps Center ranks high
The Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps Center ranks in the top 10 of the 110 centers across the country. This ranking is determined by the number of students obtaining academic gains, completing vocational training and finding job placements.

Mill End Textiles' great bargains
From the outside of Mill End Textiles at Larpenteur and St. Paul, the shop looks fairly anonymous, but inside it's anything but ordinary. Here, the tables are packed sky-high with bolts of fabrics from calicos to polar fleece.

Since opening in Falcon Heights last October, the store ranks as a favorite destination for domestic artisans. "What makes this store different from other fabric stores is that we purchase ends, seconds and close-outs from fabric manufacturers in the South and garment manufacturers," explained Jan Stangland, Mill End Textiles' general manager. Beyond its no-frills approach, the store's selection is huge. The store carries knits, wovens, decorator fabrics, notions, patterns and foam. Mill End Textiles operates five other stores in the Twin Cities.

— Rebecca Osztorg

COMO PARK

Peru bound
Pastor Terry Schultz, associate pastor at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, leaves St. Paul this month for Peru, where he will spend six years serving as a missionary and teaching at the Lutheran seminary in Lima. Terry, a 1956 graduate of Bethany Lutheran Seminary, previously completed mission work in India and Puerto Rico.

AARP meeting
The Midway-Highland Chapter #390 of the American Association of Retired Persons is set to meet on Thursday, September 19, at 1 p.m., at the Lyngbytenste Senior Center, 1206 Pascal Avenue.

Chet Emerson of the Boys and Girls Club is scheduled to speak about the organizations efforts to help young people. A social hour follows the program and visitors are welcome.

La Leche League meeting
The advantages of breastfeeding is the topic of the Como-Midway La Leche League's meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 10, at 7 p.m. For location and information call 644-0302 or 489-6356.

Weekly senior group
The St. Paul Parks and Recreation division is offering senior citizen groups at Northwest Como Rec Center, 1550 North Hamline, and South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Connswell. Both groups meet on Wed. from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The gatherings feature gym bowling, darts and coffee. Northwest Como seniors also enjoy 500. For information call 266-6370.

LAUDERDALE

Rose Hill reunion
The "Old Time Rose Hill Ice Cream Social" is set for Sunday, September 8, 1 to 5 p.m., at Lauderdale City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street. Past and present resident of Rose Hill, now known as Lauderdale, last met in 1970. For information call 631-1082 or 645-7243.

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Breakfast with Mayor Coleman

The St. Anthony Park Business Association is hosting a breakfast with Mayor Norm Coleman on October 2 at 7:30 a.m.

This community-wide gathering is open to everyone who is interested in talking with Coleman about the city’s role in supporting neighborhood businesses and other concerns.

Luther Seminary is the host and the breakfast meets at the seminary’s Olson Campus Center, 1490 Fulham Street. To attend call 645-2360 before September 26.

Chinese worship service

Faith Chinese Fellowship—a group of Mandarin-speaking mainland Chinese Christians—is launching worship services on Sunday, September 8, 1:30 p.m., in the Fireside Room at St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church. For information call 645-0371.

Women’s investment group

Women interested in learning the nuts and bolts of making sound financial decisions are invited to attend the first meeting of an informal, neighborhood-based investment group on September 12, 7 p.m., at St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church. For information call Joy Albrecht at 644-8833.

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stuff. We cut the grass with huge mowers. Then [the volunteers] weed the flowers and trim the bushes. There’s no extra public expense, and the neighbors get a chance to get to know each other when they’re out taking care of things. It’s a win-win situation.”

Lagson admitted that the opportunity to develop neighborhood spirit was one of the things that drew him to the project. “The kind of spirit shown in this project is one of the reasons I really like living in [St. Anthony] Park. People have been very enthusiastic,” he noted. Lagson grew up on Grantham Street in North St. Anthony Park, and is no stranger to community cooperation. For him, it represents a kind of practical ideal. “I always felt while growing up in the Park,” he admitted, “that it was the place I wanted to come back to.”

Lagson said that the organization had not developed any specific ideas about what to do with their new gazebo, although he said that he hopes the structure will expand the use of Alden Square by families and neighbors for parties and reunions, as well as neighborhood events yet to be imagined.

For a group that has managed to conjure flowers, trees and now a gazebo out of an empty piece of city land, enjoying the future should be the easy part.

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Sharon Varosh, resident of Como Park, is the new executive director of Midwest Media Artists Access Center (MMAAC). Varosh brings to the job extensive administrative background in the arts and social services, including work as executive director for Zorongo Flamenco Dance Theater and program coordinator for St. Paul's South African sister city program. The media arts organization is located in the Our Saviour Lutheran neighborhood at 2388 University Avenue.

Maven Richardson, daughter of Jane Richardson of Lauderdale, topped the University of Minnesota College of Liberal Arts dean’s list in the spring.

Jacob Dorot, son of Michael and Rose Dorot of St. Anthony Park, was one of 58 Guarav Adhapan College students inducted into theEta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa last May. Dorot graduated from the college at the end of the 1995-96 academic year.

Cornell College wrestler Mike Tresell, whose family resides in St. Anthony Park, won a $5,000 postgraduate scholarship from the NCAA. Tresell graduated from Cornell in May with a degree in mathematics and secondary education, and a stellar grade-point average of 3.973. He intends to pursue a master’s degree in sport, health, leisure and physical studies at the University of Iowa.

Denise Rosin is the assistant vice president of retail banking at the St. Anthony Park Bank. This newly-created position is responsible for all retail banking functions for the $50 million St. Paul-owned and managed community bank.

St. Anthony Park resident Richard Sherman won one of nine Outstanding Service Awards for Minnesota Extension Service civil service staff at the University of Minnesota. Sherman is a senior editor and product manager for the extension service’s educational development system.

Billard ball...from page 1

campaigning to have all of the "awful" plastic sawings removed from the neighboring businesses. Both Cunningham and Miller want the billiard hall project shelved and have another retail store or restaurant opened in its place.

Ellen Watters, executive director of the St. Anthony Business Association, has received complaints about the proposed pool hall from Cunningham, Miller, and several other business owners. The Business Association remains neutral about the project, although they have offered to help Leonard find other possible tenants. According to Watters, "we want to see something that will add to the neighborhood opened in the location."

Tom Leonard, however, plans to rent out the space as a billiard hall. The establishment may open this fall without serving alcohol, but Leonard stated that a 3.2 beer and wine license may be a future possibility.

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3 TUESDAY
Toastmasters, Hewlett Packard, 2025 W. Larpenteur, 7:30 a.m. Call 649-4265. Every Tuesday.

4 WEDNESDAY
Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. Every Wed.
Midway Mid-day Toastmasters, Huntington Engineering, 662 Cromwell Ave., noon–1 p.m.

5 THURSDAY
Parent-child play group, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell Ave., 10 a.m.–noon.
Every Thurs.
St. Anthony Park Community Council Physical Planting Committee, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell Ave. 5–7 p.m.

6 FRIDAY
Falcon Heights/Lauderdale recycling day.
District 66 GOP's pre-primary political party and picnic with Congressional candidate Dennis Newinski, Como Park Picnic Shelter, 4 to 8 p.m.
Youth Activity Night — grades 6 to 12 — St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2200 Hillside, 7–11 p.m. Every Fri.

7 SATURDAY
Teen Night, Langford Park, 7-10 p.m.
ParkBank Spady Savers Club Summer Picnic, Langford Park, 1-3 p.m. Call 647-0131.

8 MONDAY
Como Park recycling day.
Park Press Inc. — Park Bugle — board of directors meeting, ParkBank, 7-8 a.m.
Falcons Senior Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 1–3 p.m. Call 488-3361 or 644-9055.
Boy Scouts, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 7 p.m. Call 644-4175.

10 TUESDAY
Primary Election, polls open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
St. Anthony Park Association, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, dinner 6:30 p.m.
Como-Midway La Leche League meeting, 7 p.m. For location call 644-0302 or 489-6356.

11 WEDNESDAY
Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 7 p.m.
St. Anthony Park recycling day.
St. Anthony Park Community Council Full Council Meeting, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell Ave. 5–7 p.m.

12 THURSDAY
Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1891 Walnut, 7:30 p.m.

13 FRIDAY
Bookmobile at Seal Hi-Rise, 825 Seal St., 11 a.m. – noon.

14 SATURDAY
Rash Hashanah.
St. Anthony Park neighborhood garage sale.
KIDS Vendors Fair, Langford Park, noon–3 p.m.
Teen Night, South St. Anthony Park, 7-10 p.m.

20 FRIDAY
Falcon Heights/Lauderdale recycling day.

21 SATURDAY
Lauderdale "500" Club, Lauderdale City Hall, 1 p.m.
Teen Night, Langford Park, 7-10 p.m.

23 MONDAY
Yom Kippur.
Como Park recycling day.
Falcons Senior Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 1–3:30 p.m.
St. Anthony Park Block Nurse Program board of directors meeting, St. Anthony Park Library, 7:30–9:30 p.m.

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Valborg Bestul
Valborg E. Bestul, member of St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, died on July 15, at the age of 91.
Bestul was survived by sisters, Harriet and Constance of Falcon Heights, Signe Barness of Ferguson Falls, and Anne Wegner-Love of Eton Park, Colorado; and several nieces and nephews.

Timothy Blade
Timothy Trent Blade, design professor at the University of Minnesota and decorative arts curator at the Goldstein Gallery, died on Aug. 17, at the age of 55, following a 14-year battle with Lymphoma.
Loquacious and erudite, Blade collected antiques, voraciously, authored several books, penned a monthly column for "The Old Times" and served on the board of the Hennepin History Museum.
Preceded in death by his father, Harry, Blade is survived by his mother, Lois; brother, Steven; and best friend, Rodney Schwartz, Jane Tang and Bill Dinman.

Gerald Bourn
Lyngblomsten Heritage resident Gerald L. Bourn, member of St. Timothy Lutheran Church in Como Park, died on July 28, at the age of 88.
Bourn was preceded in death by his wife, Ada. He is survived by daughters, Yeonee Fyer of Blaine and Sandia Larson of Inver Grove Heights; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Eugenia Davis
Eugenia Asimakopoulos Davis, longtime professor and research scientist in food chemistry at the University of Minnesota on the St. Paul campus, died on July 28. She was 57.
The daughter of Greek immigrants, born and raised in Chicago, she earned her undergraduate and master's degrees in chemistry at the University of Chicago. There, she met her husband, Ted Davis, now dean of the Institute of Technology at the University of Minnesota. They married in 1960 and two years later moved to Brussels, Belgium, where Davis gained a PhD in organic chemistry.
In 1963, they moved to Minnesota. Here, Davis began working in health sciences at the University of Minnesota. Seven years later, she joined the food science department, where she spent the rest of her career.

Davis is survived by her husband, Ted; two sons, William, daughter, Maria; mother, Mark Asimakopoulos; and sister, Kathy Asimakopoulos.

Ivy Hutchins
Ivy O. Hutchins, resident of Lyngbygholmene Healthcare Center, died on August 6, at the age of 90.

Bruce Larsen
Bruce A. Larsen, founder of the well-known Schola Cantorum at Holy Childhood Catholic Church, died on August 3. He was 74 years of age. The Schola Cantorum, a sacred music choir for adults and children, is still active today, 40 years after its founding.
Born in Iron Mountain, Michigan, Larsen attended St. Norbert Seminary in Wisconsin. In 1941, he entered the Army and served as a chaplain's assistant in Europe during World War II. Four years later, he moved to the Twin Cities and resumed his music studies at the MacPhail School of Music, receiving his B.A. in 1949.
From 1946 to 1958, he was choral director at the University of Minnesota Newman Club and organizer and music director at Holy Childhood. He later held similar positions at St. Olaf's Catholic Church and at the Basilica of St. Mary. Larsen returned to Holy Childhood as music director and continued there until he retired from teaching in 1987.
Larsen is survived by his sister, Lavona Larsen of Michigan; four grandchildren; and many friends and students.

Annabelle Mahoney
Annabelle Mahoney, resident of Como Park, died on July 19. She was 95 years of age.
Mahoney, retired employee of Brown and Bigelow Company, was well-known for her arbitrage skills as a union representative.
Survivors include nieces, Mary Niemczyk, Katherine Peck and Ivy Deviney; and many other relatives and friends.

Mary Ellen Pittz
Como Park resident Mary Ellen Pittz died on July 18, at the age of 67.
Pitzi, parishioner at Holy Childhood Catholic Church, belonged to the Rosarytown American Legion #542 and the Roseville VFW Post #755 auxiliaries.
She is survived by her husband of 45 years, Ray; son, Steve; daughter, Jane Krueger; four grandchildren; brother, Harold Carlson of Minneapolis; sisters, Evelyn Nelson of Onnell and Ruth Pudas of Cokato.

Elizabeth Wagner Reed
Elizabeth Wagner Reed died suddenly on July 14, at the age of 83. She lived in University Grove for over 40 years.
Born August 12, 1912, in the Philippines, she grew up in Ohio and received her bachelor's, master's and PhD degrees from Ohio State. Her first husband, James Beasley, was killed in action during World War II. In 1946, she married Sheldon Reed, professor emeritus of the University of Minnesota.
Reed taught at many colleges, including the University of Minnesota, in the areas of botany, horticulture, continuing education for women and women's studies. She researched plant physiology, the development of periconium, and the genetics of mental retardation, the history of women in science, and was involved in developing science curricula for elementary schools.
Reed possessed a lifelong commitment to women's rights. A member of St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, she sang in the choir there for over 60 years.
Survivors include her husband, Sheldon of University Grove; daughter, Catherine of St. Anthony Park; sons, John Beasley and William; six grandchildren, John Beasley, Ben, Alex and Julia Westhoff of St. Anthony Park, and Avery Reed.

— Compiled by Ann Bulger
Holly House Center opens its healing practice in the Park

by Krista Flinsted Hansen

Holly House Center for Integrated Health Care, the first woman-owned holistic health center and located for the past 11 years in the Cusco Hill neighborhood, recently opened its doors on the ground floor of the St. Anthony Park Bank.

"It's a practice that treats chiropractic clients in a rather traditional way," said Jodie Tooley, lifestyle education assistant, "but also our name is Center for Integrated Health Care."

Simply stated, Holly House treats acute and chronic disorders, including digestive dysfunction and arthritis. Tooley described the integrated health care provided at Holly House as a way of "doing all we can by providing a comprehensive and substantial program to helping clients figure out how they can feel better for the long haul."

Dr. Patricia L. Lawler, the center's founder, pursued advanced studies in neurology and biochemistry as it applies to clinical nutrition.

The clinic sees approximately 85 clients a week. The broad clinic base includes children to seniors, although there is a higher concentration of women ages 30 to 55. Children are seen mostly for chiropractic care, ear infections and allergies. There is also a large client base of people suffering from injuries due to work-related and automobile accidents.

Clients experience three phases of treatment. During the diagnostic phase all patients are seen by Dr. Lawler, who handles most of physical examinations and consultations, providing guidance to the clients. The diagnostic phase includes a physical exam, food sensitivity testing, body composition analysis, hair analysis, gait analysis, as well as the traditional blood and urine testing.

Next, the client is provided with a proposed correction and treatment plan. Clinical treatment includes chiropractic adjustment, acupuncture, nutritional supplements, and therapeutic massage.

The final stage is prevention and maintenance. This may involve engaging in the lifestyle education assistance program, authored by Jodie Tooley. This is a participative program with modules to go through, assignments and objectives to meet, and videos to watch and books to read. This program counters the tendency of countless patients who walk away with a doctor's recommendation for dietary, exercise, or other lifestyle changes that may or may not get woven into their lives. Patients develop meaningful changes by trying to counter the patterns that may stop them from achieving these goals.

"We see education as a key path to change," explained Tooley. So, the clinic boasts an on-site education center. The large studio space overlooking Como Avenue is perfect for yoga, tai chi, orientation sessions and guest speakers. Recent seminars include "Embracing Menopause" and "Choose Organic."

"Killing a high quality of life is a critical component to all aspects of care offered at Holly House. To make the best daily choices in food, lifestyle, and overall health, the center provides current information about the latest holistic medical technologies. It may be a new paradigm in health care for some, but Tooley said that there's nothing controversial about what is done at Holly House. "It's about our nutrition, fresh air, pure water, enough sleep, and having a job you like; it's not controversial stuff," explained Tooley. "This place is about being healthy, happy and having the life you want."

Holly House hosts a new client orientation and introduction to integrated health care session the second Tuesday of each month. The next session will take place Tuesday, September 10, from 6:30-8:30 pm. Reservations are required — call 645-6951.

The Holly House staff from left to right: (first row) Jodie Tooley and Rockey Adams; (second row) Bill Brown, Patricia Lawler and Susan Tinje.

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Sept. 25, Rev. Janet Whiteman, U of M Chaplain, preaching
Sept. 22, St. Matthew's Day Celebration
Broken Bread 7:30 pm "A Lone of All Her Sex: The Myth of the Virgin Mary" by Martha Warner
Oct. 17, 7:30 pm "It Takes a Village" by Barbara Rolen Clinton
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